(b) A copy of the Corporate Plan-1985-2000, will be placed on the Table of the House shortly.

Concession to the Tourism Industry

538. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI:
DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to grant major concessions to the Tourism Industry in the near future to meet the target of doubling the number of visitors by the end of the plan; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The Government keeps contantly reviewing the need for grant of concessions/incentives to promote tourism, keeping in view the latest trends in the world market To meet the target of Tourist arrivals, Government is already extending several incentives/concessions to hotel industry which include tax holiday, initial depreciation, extra depreciation, higer depreciation backward area subsiay, Institutional Loan, Foreign Exchange incentive quota, concessional customs duty on import of several items, exempption from MRTP ct. priortiy allotment of Telephone/ Telex etc. Travel Agents are also allowed to import office equipment and two cars in a year against their incentive quota of foreign exchange earnings. To promote mountaineering, winter and water sports, Government has agreed for concessional duty on import of equipment and accessories for this purpose.

Leprosy Cases

539. SHRI SHARAD YADAV:
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of the leprosy cases reported annually as against the percentage of cured cases (till date) during the last three years,

(b) what are the main constraints in the implementation of the National Laprosy Eradication Programme stating the names of the States which have shown unsatisfacotry progress in this regard and the reasons there for?

(c) what is the role of the voluntary social organisations in the eradication of leprosy in the country stating the nature of Central assistance given to such organisations; and

(d) what is the strategy, if any drawn up by the Government to avoid lopsided development of health care system and to achieve better results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Number of leprosy cases detected and discharged during last three years under National Leprosy Eradication Programme are as under:—

Year	No. of new cases detected	No. of cured cases	Percentage
1985-86	4,77,152	4,45,827	93·44%
1986-87	5,07,958	5,06,776	99 76%
1987-88 . . . . . (upto Aug. 87)	1,78,000	1,95,000	109 55%